संबंधित कार्यकलापों के विकास के लिए आवंटित की गयी राशि इस प्रकार है :–

कृषि और संबंधित कार्यकलापों (वानिकी और वन्यजीवन सहित) के अन्तर्गत स्वीकृत उपरिव्यय

(करोड़ रुपये में)

	केन्द्र	राज्य	संघ शासित क्षेत्र	योग
1991–92	1857.85	2565.21	50.04	4473.10
1992–93	1879.27	2784.83	46.18	4710.28
1993–94	2435.83	2921.54	51.56	5408.93

कुल (योजनागत आबंटन की तुलना में इन आबंटनों का प्रतिशत 6.18 (1991-92), 5.83 (1992–93) और 5.40 (1993–94) था ।

"पेप्सी डिसिरगार्डस फार्मर्स क्लेम्स"

7153. **श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज** : क्या **कृषि** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 26 अप्रैल, 1994 के "स्टेट्समैन" में "पेप्सी डिस्रिगार्डस फार्मस क्लेम्स" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि इस बहुराष्ट्रिक कम्पनी ने पंजाब में किसानों को झूठा आश्वासन देकर उन्हें भारी आर्थिक संकट में डाल दिया है ;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(घ) क्या सरकार भविष्य में किसानों के संरक्षण हेतु बहुराष्ट्रीक कम्पनियों अथवा अन्य ऐसे तत्वों का कृषि क्षेत्र में हस्तक्षेप समाप्त करने के लिए कोई कारगर कदम उठाने पर विचार कर रही है ; और

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एस० कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) से (ङ) अपेक्षित जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Criteria for fixing of support prices

7154. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH: ..

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria, for fixing up support prices for agricultural commodities like wheat, rice, sugar, pulses, edible oils etc;

(b) whether support price criteria takes into consideration various agro-climatic zones, if so, in what manner;

(c) whether support prices are interpretable as subsidies or they are the actual cost prices or the remunerative prices; and

(d) what is the relationship of international prices of the agricultural commodities with our local support prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) The Government decide on support prices for various agricultural commodities after taking into account the recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), views of State Governments and Central Ministries as well as such other

relevant factors which in the opinion of the Government are important for fixation of support prices. Apart from making a comprehensive overview of the entire structure of the economy of a particularly commodity the CACP considers important factors such as cost of production, changes in input prices, input/output price parity, trends in market prices, demand and supply situation, inter-crop price parity, effect on general price level, effect on cost of living, international market price situation and parity betwees prices paid and prices received by farmers (Terms of Trade).

(b) The minimum support prices fixed by the Government are uniform for the country as a whole. The differential prices at regional levels are not being fixed since it is felt that a uniform support price for the whole country alone can lead to efficient utilisation of resources.

(c) The minimum support prices announced by the Government are remunerative prices since these cover not only the cost of production but also a reasonable margin of profit.

(d) While formulating its recommendations on price policy the CACP takes into account, among other things international market price situation.

Maintenance of support of agricultural produce

7155. SHRI AHMED MOHAMEDBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Executives of Central and State Cooperative Marketing Federation and Oil Seed Growers' Federation recently met in New Delhi and finalised a startegy to ensure effective market intervention by Government in maintaining the support price of Agricultural produce in the coming Rabi season;

(b) if so, what were the main decisions arrived at;

(c) whether Government have finalised any strategy to ensure effective market intervention; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) A meeting of the Chief Executives of the State Cooperative Marketing Federations and Oilseeds Growers Federations was convened by National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED the nodle agency for undertaking price support operations in selected oilseeds and pulses.

(b) to (d) The meeting reviewed the crops prospects of kharif oilseeds and pulses. The operational and financial arrangements for procurement of oilseeds and pulses, in case the need arises, for price support operations were finalised to ensure that prices of oilseeds and pulses of specified fair average quality (FAQ) variety do not fall below the support prices and prevent distress sale by farmers.

Separate aviation wing for locust control

7156. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a separate aviation wing for locust control measures;

(b) if so, what is the progress made in this direction;

(c) whether Government is also considering to acquire different types of aircrafts for locust control measures as well as crop survey operations and cloud seeding to bring artificial rains; and

(d) if so, what progress has been made by Government in this direction?